

1 A JOINT MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO LEAD A STUDY TO IMPROVE
3 THE COORDINATION, EFFICIENCY AND DELIVERY OF HUMAN
4 IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS AND ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME
5 SERVICES.

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7 WHEREAS, New Mexico has a human immunodeficiency virus
8 and acquired immune deficiency syndrome population of more
9 than one thousand eight hundred persons; and

10 WHEREAS, New Mexicans with and at risk for human
11 immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome
12 face a confusing array of services spread among many state
13 agencies and departments as well as private agencies; and

14 WHEREAS, a study of the many human immunodeficiency
15 virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome services and
16 their sources would assist the department of health, the
17 state's lead agency for federal funds and programs, to better
18 coordinate such services, leading to more efficient and
19 productive service delivery and ease of access by clients,
20 especially among Native Americans and in rural areas;

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
22 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department of health be requested
23 to lead a study surveying all services for persons living with
24 human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency
25 syndrome with the goal of coordinating funding and service

1 delivery and elimination of duplication; and

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study include the
3 cooperation of the corrections department, the human services
4 department, the department of finance and administration, the
5 public education department, the vocational education
6 division of the public education department, advocates,
7 consumers, service providers and disability advocacy groups;
8 and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department of health
10 report the results of the study, including any legislative
11 recommendations, to the interim legislative health and human
12 services committee and the legislative finance committee at
13 their respective October 2005 meetings; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
15 transmitted to the department of health, the human services
16 department, the corrections department, the department of
17 finance and administration and the public education
18 department.

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